

plane of material and said core comprising polycarbonate form a sandwich material;

- 24, 220 similar to 24 u-shape section 9 + 21*
- d.) at least one stile comprising a first side and a second side, wherein said first side of said stile is generally parallel to said second side of said stile, and wherein said first side of said stile contacts said first plane of material along an edge of said first plane of material and said second side of said stile contacts said second plane of material along an edge of said second plane of material; and
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- e.) at least one hinge which is attached to said stile.

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2. (Amended) A window covering for exterior use, comprising;

- a.) a first plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride and having a perimeter dimension;
- b.) a second plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride and having substantially a same perimeter dimension as said first plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride;
- c.) a core comprising polycarbonate, said core having substantially a same perimeter dimension as said first plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride, wherein said core comprising polycarbonate is positioned between said first plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride and said second plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride, wherein said first plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride, said second plane of

material comprising polyvinyl chloride and said core comprising polycarbonate form a sandwich material;

- d.) at least one stile comprising a first side and a second side, wherein said first side of said stile is generally parallel to said second side of said stile, and wherein said first side of said stile contacts said first plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride along an edge of said first plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride and said second side of said stile contacts said second plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride along an edge of said second plane of material comprising polyvinyl chloride; and
- e.) at least one hinge which is attached to said at least one stile.

3. (Amended) A window covering for exterior use as described in Claim 1, wherein said stile is linear.

4. (Amended) A window covering for exterior use as described in Claim 2, wherein said stile is linear.

Please add the following claims:

13. A window covering, comprising;

- a.) a first plane of material;
- b.) a second plane of material;
- c.) a center core comprising polycarbonate, wherein said center core comprising polycarbonate is positioned between said first plane of

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material and said second plane of material.

14. A window covering as described in Claim 13, further comprising at least one stile that is positioned over a portion of said first plane of material and said at least one stile is positioned over a portion of said second plane of material.

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15. *Same as 13*
A window covering as described in Claim 13 wherein each of said first plane of material and said second plane of material contact said center core.

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16. A window covering as described in Claim 13, wherein said first plane of material comprises polyvinyl^x chloride.

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17. A window covering as described in Claim 16, wherein said second plane of material comprises polyvinyl^x chloride.

- Same as 13*
18. A window covering as described in Claim 15, wherein said first plane of material is present on an exterior of the window covering.

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19. A window covering as described in Claim 16, wherein said first plane of material is present on an exterior of the window covering.